



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**October 2, 2016**

**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**World Communion Sunday**

**WORSHIP HOST: 8:15 – Nellie Wiancko      10:45 – Peggy Kooser**

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**Memory Verse for October**

***Matthew 7:12 – “The Golden Rule”***

***Do unto others as you would have them do unto you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.***

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**GATHERING & WELCOME**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**L:** The Peace of Christ be with you.

**P:** And also with you.

**L:** Please pass the Peace of Christ to your neighbor.

**MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY**

**THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH**

**THE WORK OF THE CHURCH**

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT**

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION      “When You Eat This Bread”**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP No. 853      Psalm 138**

**L:** I give thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

**P:** **I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and faithfulness;**

**L:** ... for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

**P:** **On the day I called, you answered me, you strengthened my life.**

**L:** All the rulers of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,

**P:** **... for they have heard the words of your mouth;**

**L:** ... and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord,

**P:** **... for great is the glory of the Lord.**

**L:** For the Lord is high, but regards the lowly;

**P:** **... yet knows the haughty from afar.**

**L:** Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life;

**P:** **... you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies and your right hand delivers me.**

**L:** O Lord, fulfill your purpose for me;

**P:** **O Lord, may your steadfast love endure for ever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.**

**\*UNISON PRAYER No. 456      “For Courage to Do Justice”**

**O Lord, open my eyes that I may see the needs of others; open my ears that I may hear their cries; open my heart so that they need not be without succor; let me not be afraid to defend the weak because of the anger**

of the strong, nor afraid to defend the poor because of the anger of the rich. Show me where love and hope and faith are needed, and use me to bring them to those places. And so open my eyes and my ears that I may this coming day be able to do some work of peace for thee. Amen

\*HYMN No. 568 “Christ for the World We Sing”

**CHILDREN’S MOMENTS No. 2233 “This Is Where Children Belong”**

*(Our Children’s Collection this morning will be given to the Irwin Fire Department. Please see the announcement for more details.)*

**ANTHEM 8:15 “We the Church”**

**10:45 “We the Church” - Chancel Choir**

**WORD OF GOD 2 Timothy 1:6-14**

**PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY “Jesus, Bread of Life, I Pray Thee”**

\*DOXOLOGY No.95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Him, all creatures here below:  
praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS

Gracious God, we praise you! You have entrusted to us a priceless treasure, the good news of Christ who conquered death. In him, we have the promise of new and everlasting life. Empower us by your Spirit to spend our days working for your purposes. As our church shares the gospel with friends and neighbors, may we all draw closer to you. We dedicate our lives and these offerings in Jesus’ name. Amen.

\*HYMN No. 2226 “Bind Us Together”

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

For our joys we say: “Praise the Lord.”

For our concerns we say: “Lord, hear our prayers.”

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER** *The Altar is open during this time.*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. AMEN

**SERMON SCRIPTURE Luke 17:5-10**

**SERMON “The Call of Duty”**

\*HYMN No. 617 “I Come with Joy”

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION II**

**THE INVITATION**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

**SACRAMENT**

All are welcome. Please follow the directions of the ushers.

\*BENEDICTION

\*MUSIC OF PARTING “A Paean of Praise”

*The service is under the control of the Holy Spirit*  
The altar rail is always open.

\*Those who are able, please stand

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**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK**

**Saturday Worship – 16      Sunday 8:15 – 49      10:45 – 71**

**SERVING YOU SUNDAY, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**GREETERS:** 8:15 – Ed & Helen Wertz                      10:45 – Lee Stewart & Lois Kuhn

**USHERS TEAMS:** 8:15 – Men’s Group                      10:45 – Joel Frye/Bill Hawley

**SOUND TEAM:** 8:15 – Fritz Runser                      10:45 – Josh Burger & Penny Brant

**NURSERY:** Our Child Care Center (birth through age 5) will be open today during the 10:45 service. Our attendants today will be Stephanie Blissman, Kyle & Katrina Bryan.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The altar flowers this morning are presented by Shirley McCune in memory of her husband, Bill.

**THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH**

**Office - 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM Monday thru Thursday & 8:00 AM – Noon on Friday**

**Pastor Bruce – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

724-747-6098 (call or text) or email at [preacherptl@gmail.com](mailto:preacherptl@gmail.com)

**Today, Sunday, October 2**

**World Communion Sunday**

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 8:15 Worship
- 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:45 Worship
- 12:15 SonShiners
- 2:00 Youth Group

**Monday, October 3**

- 7:00 Dartball - Away

**Tuesday, October 4**

- 9:00 Men’s Work Team
- 6:15 TOPS
- 7:00 Nurture
- 7:00 Outreach
- 7:30 NA

**Wednesday, October 5**

- 7:00 Women’s Book Study

**Thursday, October 6**

- 6:15 C Bells
- 7:15 Choir

**Saturday, October 8**

- 6:00 Alternative Worship

**Next Sunday, October 9**

**Coffee Hour/Music Dedication Sunday**

- 8:00 Prayer Time
- 8:15 Worship
- 9:30 Sunday School
- 10:45 Worship
- 12:15 SonShiners
- 2:00 Youth Group

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**GIVING TO OUR CHURCH THROUGH UNITED WAY!** Many of you are already contributing to United Way from your paycheck. You can give that portion to First UM of Irwin! The campaigns for United Way are usually held in September at your place of employment. Please tell them that you would like your portion of giving to go to your church! You will need our church code to do this donation online.

If you work in **Westmoreland County** the church code is: **416719**.

If you work in **Allegheny County** the church code is: **11850302**.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

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**DO YOU LIKE TO PAY YOUR BILLS ONLINE?** If so, you can designate First United Methodist Church as a bill payee. The address is 310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA. 15642. You can elect the amount you would like the church to receive and the number of times to “pay” the church. Use your envelope number as the requested account number. The bank will then send a check to the church and it will be processed the same as the Sunday envelopes.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**CHILDREN'S COLLECTIONS:** This week our children's collection will be sent to the Irwin Volunteer Fire Department to help with their annual fund drive. The money donated will help pay for vehicle costs, equipment, and other operating expenses.

*"Brent Lauffer"* 9/18 - \$164.58 9/25 - \$231.00

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**EVENING CUSTODIAN:** The First United Methodist Church of Irwin is accepting applications for the position of Evening Custodian. Responsibilities include general housekeeping and maintenance, grounds care, minor repairs, and event support. Candidate must have a flexible schedule, be Christian centered, have a pleasant disposition, and have strong organizational skills. This is a part-time position of 15-20 hours per week with no benefits. Applicants are required by law to have passed the PA State Police Criminal Record Check, the PA Child Abuse History Clearance and the FBI based fingerprint check. Interested persons may contact the church at 724-863-6858 or by email at [irwinfirstumc@comcast.net](mailto:irwinfirstumc@comcast.net)

Cover letter and resume with references may be sent to: First United Methodist Church

Attn: Staff Parish  
310 Oak Street  
Irwin, PA 15642

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**WOMAN'S BOOK CLUB**

The Woman's Book Club is starting up again starting October 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm upstairs in the Youth Room. Please plan to join us for a great study! The study is "Becoming Myself: Embracing God's Dream of You" by Stasi Eldredge. The book and workbook are both available on Amazon and other outlets. If you need someone to order the books for you please call Becky Platt at 412-445-9833. We will be meeting every other Wednesday. If you have any questions, please call Becky Platt or talk with Bonnie Judy our new Group leader. Hope to see all our ladies at 7 on October 5!



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***Next Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, Musician Dedication Sunday!***

*Thanks to everyone who submitted their favorite hymns. Be sure to come with friends to enjoy a service full of song and praise!*

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**DIAPER DRIVE:** The United Methodist Women will be coordinating a Diaper Drive for needy families. Our Food Bank can supply food and various personal hygiene products to these families. However, the families with infants and toddlers also need help with diapers. There will be a cart in the Narthex on Sundays, October 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> to collect the diapers. All sizes are needed ... the brand is not important. The children's collection on those Sundays will also be used to buy diapers. Thank you in advance for helping with this important mission endeavor.

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**PASTOR APPRECIATION SUNDAY:** Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Pastor Appreciation Sunday. If you would like to contribute to a Love Gift for Pastor Bruce, please use the "Love Offering" envelopes in the bulletins. There will be a gathering after each service that day to fellowship with Pastor Bruce and Bonnie.

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The Outreach Committee is hosting a Spud Bar on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Potatoes will be available for takeout only so get a potato and all your favorite toppings to take home after the 8:15 or 10:45 service. It will be a great lunch before the Steelers victory!

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**FIRST RESPONDERS HANDKERCHIEFS:** There are a few handkerchiefs available that were distributed to first responders. If you know someone who is a first responder and did not yet receive one of these gifts, please see Dianne at the organ bench to take one for them.

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**THE HOLIDAYS ARE APPROACHING!!** Our Outreach Committee needs the addresses for all service personnel who belong to our church. Please send their names and addresses to the church office or call Sara Campbell at 412-751-9767. We like to send them cards for their birthday's and the holidays.



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**“Let’s Go Fishing”** is a handbook for the United Methodist Church. It explains United Methodist beliefs, the Constitutional Structure of the church, history, mission concerns, etc. The handbooks are available on the table in the Narthex and everyone is welcome to take a copy with them.

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**The United Methodist Women are going to do Operation Christmas Child this year.** Many of you are familiar with this Franklin Graham mission, Samaritans Purse. We will fill shoe boxes with small gifts like small non violent toys, school supplies, books, and hygiene items. We would love some donations from the church family. First and foremost we would like shoe boxes, plain, or if you want, wrap them in some Christmas paper with the base and the lid wrapped separate. We will have a table set up in the narthex beginning 9/25/16. On the table will be more information about how you can help us with this meaningful mission. We will be asking for donation of gifts ... just leave them on table. It’s a great family or class activity to fill a box, or an organization project. Please watch your bulletin for a final date. Any questions call Donna Weber 724-864-4954 or Dot Depp 724-863-0351



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**2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL HAYRIDE!** The Nurture committee will be sponsoring the second annual Hayride Fellowship Night on Monday October 17, 2016 at 6:30 pm. The event will take place at Kerber’s Dairy on Guffy Road in North Huntingdon. The cost for the event is \$8.50 for adults. **Children are free.** This includes your hayride, a cone or cup of the famous Kerber’s Ice cream and a small pumpkin. A sign up sheet will be passed around at all three worship services beginning

Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. You can also register on our Facebook page or by calling Eric or Becky Platt at 412-816-1906. We hope to see you there!



It is that time of year again! If you have someone who graduated high school in the spring and started college this fall please give their name, address, and what gift cards they might like (ex. Subway, Sheetz, Giant Eagle) to Connie Phillips at 724-493-8387( you may text also) or email [cmptcp@comcast.net](mailto:cmptcp@comcast.net). If someone who was on the list already has changed addresses or graduated please pass this

information on, also.

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**EMAIL REMINDERS:** If you would like to receive email reminders of church events, please email the church office ([irwinfirstumc@comcast.net](mailto:irwinfirstumc@comcast.net)) to get your email on the list. Please DO NOT hand write or call the office with the email address, as errors may occur. We want to make sure that we have the correct email.

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**The Finance Committee is once again selling RADA Cutlery!** Catalogs and a table in the narthex. When ordering, please place your check (payable to First Church) and your order form in the door slot of the office door. Please return table, so they can be used by others. All orders are due by Sunday, October



order forms are on United Methodist your catalog to the 30th. Pick up a

catalog and check out some of the new items listed this year! Do your Christmas shopping early for family, friends, neighbors, teachers or coaches! Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito at [cts72@hotmail.com](mailto:cts72@hotmail.com) or 724-864-5649. Proceeds from this sale will go to our General Church Fund. Thank you for your support!

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**STYLUS PENS:** We have purchased stylus pens (which may be used on a tablet or phone as well as on paper) which are engraved with the church name, phone number and the phrase "God Loves You and So Do We." They are of superior quality and are available for purchase for \$2.00 each. They make great inexpensive Christmas gifts and will help spread the news that our church is a loving and caring church. Buy several and "lose" them around our community! Contact Dianne Runser for details.

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**CAMP NEWS!!!** Camping is not over yet! If you or your daughter did not get to camp this year, you may want to attend the Mother/Daughter Retreat at Jumonville on October 28-30. This is for Mothers and Daughters ages 9 and up. The girls will be separated by ages for some programs, but the week-end includes games, devotions, Adventure Center activities, a movie, hikes to the Cross and Green Cathedral, campfires and snacks. What a great time to bond with your daughter and God! The cost is \$99/Moms and \$49 for each daughter. This includes your lodging (2 nights) and five meals. Campership funding is available through our church and through Jumonville's office or website. Any questions, contact Laurie Saporito, Camp Steward at 724-864-5649 or [orcts72@hotmail.com](mailto:orcts72@hotmail.com)

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**"RIGHT NOW MEDIA" BIBLE STUDIES:** To participate in any of these studies, you need to email the church office at [fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net](mailto:fumc.jeanne.secrep@comcast.net) with your request. The office will place your email address on the list of participants and give you instructions on how to log onto the account.

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